Serial No. 10/554,066 Response to Office Action dated August 29, 2008

REMARKS

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Office Action dated August 29, 2008, in which the Examiner objected to claim 4, rejected claims 3, 4, 6, 8, 11 and 16 under § 112, second paragraph, and rejected claims 19-26 under § 112, second paragraph.

Applicants have amended the claims and respectfully traverse the rejections for the following reasons.

Objected to claim 4

Claim 4 has been amended to remove the lack of antecedent basis.

Rejection of claims 3, 4, 6, 8, 11 and 16 under § 112, second paragraph

Claims 3, 4, 6, 8, and 11 have been amended to cure the basis for this rejection. Claims 3, 6, 8, and 11 have been amended to remove the word "each" and claim 4 has been amended to depend from claim 2. Claim 16 has not been amended because Applicant believes that the amendment to claim 11 obviates the need to amend claim 16.

Rejection of claims 19-26 under § 112, second paragraph

Claims 19-26 have been amended to be dependent method claims.

Conclusion

Applicants believe that they have responded to each ground for objection or rejection of the present case and therefore believe that the application is now in condition for allowance.

If it would be helpful in resolving any issues in the case, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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